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VEHICLES

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RESPONSE


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Respectfully submitted,


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☒ Copy of PTO communication mailed September 10, 2003.

☒ Declaration or Oath (original)

☐ Attached to the Declaration or Oath is a copy of the specification which was filed in the Patent Office in order to obtain a filing date for this application.

☒ Information Disclosure Statement

☒ Form PTO-1449 with all documents listed thereon

☐ Verified English translation of originally-filed foreign language text.

☐ Statement(s) re small entity (37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27):

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☐ Statement(s) submitted herewith

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☒ Priority is claimed under 35 USC 119 based on Germany Application No. 102 29 815.7, filed June 28, 2002.

☐ A certified copy of the priority application is enclosed.

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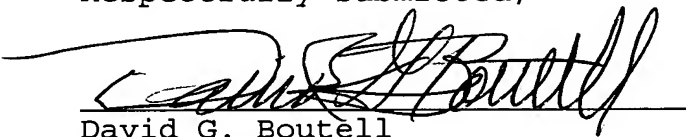
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